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CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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When People Are Misunderstood They Are Generally Misrepresented—This is not Strange.

In his second reference to 2 Peter 2:1, 2, he declares we are the people that deny the Lord. But if we do not stop pretty soon I'm afraid somebody will see the fulfillment of Prov. 26:27, and Psalm 7:15, 16, instead of the denial of the Lord by the people he is assailing.

While we are on this part of the the subject we had as well consider what he says about the biting and dying. "Some," he says, "have been bitten and died." He makes it appear here that some of our people have been bitten by serpents and died as a result of the bite. Please notice that his statement is very emphatic, but he has left a little hole so he can crawl out, and it is well enough that he has, for otherwise he would surely be trapped. We do not pretend to say that none have died that were bitten, but not one instance has come to our hearing of any one of our people dying as a result of snake-bite. I suppose hundreds have taken up serpents according to Mark 16:18 in the last two or three years, and only a very few have been bitten, and still fewer that have been poisoned enough to swell. Some, like Paul, have shook them loose and felt no harm. Others have swelled severely and caused much pain, but almost as soon as unbelievers were convinced that the reptiles were really poison, God healed up the wounds. I wish to say right here that the taking up of serpents has been a great factor in stopping the mouths of gainsayers, and convincing unbelievers of the power of God. We do not claim this as a matter of salvation, but it is one of the signs that is being displayed to the glory of God among our people.

I do not know where the gentleman got his "frog" idea. He says we claim to handle "frogs." I confess that is news to me. I see no

reason for such a statement. I know of no cause for our people to handle a little harmless frog. He surely must have thrown that in for good measure to finish out his sentence. The Bible does not tell us to handle frogs. If it did, of course we would do it. That is the very thing we have started in to do—obey the Scriptures, rightly divided, in every detail. I suppose this was added because he had heard a tale of this kind from the outside world, and it was added to make the balance seem all the more ridiculous.

The next is "hot lamp chimneys, hot coals of fire and etc." I do not know what he means by the etc. unless it is other miraculous things that will shortly be done, and I guess he was afraid he might miss something. This reminds me of the Athenians who wrote their inscription "To the unknown god," for fear there would be a god left out of their catalogue of gods. As to handling hot lamp chimneys and hot coals of fire, this is true. And why should any one object to it? We do not claim this is a test of salvation or Christianity, neither do we say that all others who do not handle fire are sinners, but if we have faith sufficient to "quench the violence of fire," Heb. 11:34, why should any body want to object to it that does not have such faith?

Peter Cartwright, the Kentucky Methodist preacher of nearly a century ago, told as remarkable a fire story as any experiences we have yet had. An old brother told me of it who had seen brother Cartwright and heard him tell the incident. They were having meeting one night in an old style Kentucky cabin where all of one end of the house was a fire-place. There had been a big fire in the fire-place, but it had burned down to a great bed of live coals. Brother Cartwright was behind a lit-

tle old fashioned stand preaching with all his might. The house was full of anxious listeners. There were three chairs directly in front of the fire place and three young women who had come in late were occupying those three chairs. All of a sudden a power took hold of the girl sitting in the middle chair and lifted her up and laid her full length in the fire-place on that great bed of live coals. Brother Cartwright jumped over the stand and took hold of the young lady and dragged her off of the coals and stood her upon her feet. The live coals were sticking to her hair and clothing. He took his hand and brushed them off, and he declared to the brother that related the circumstance to me, that there was not a burn, nor scorch on the girl's clothing or hair and it did not burn his hand, neither was there a smell of fire in the room.

It is a common thing now for our people to be exercised by the power of the Spirit that quickens their bodies Rom. 8:11, so they put their hands into hot fires and take out hands full of live coals and play with them like toys. They often drop live coals or burning embers on the carpet and never a scorch or smell of smoke from such. Yes, brother Noble, we do this. We do not deny it. Yes it is true that "not all who are tagged Pentecost are truly Pentecost." But when you find a people that God is working with, similar to the way he worked with the early disciples it seems to me that it would be a little out of place to attack and accuse them of being false teachers and deceivers. Read of the marvelous things that are taking place among the Church of God people and I leave it with any honest thinker to say if it does not read like Bible times. One verse is sufficient: "God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will." Heb. 2:4.

Show me a people anywhere that God is honoring more by granting unto them more of the miraculous to confirm the Word (Mark 16:20) than He is the Church of God people. Show me a people that are having better

success in their revivals in getting people really saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Show me a people that are growing any more in favor with God and man (Luke 2:52, Acts 2:47) than those who represent the Church of God. Show me a people that have greater love one for another (John 13:35) and for the lost world than these people that Mr. Noble classes as dangerous and pernicious.

Only a few more words and we are through. We have given nearly all of the article and it is hardly worth while to take the space for the rest of it, but there are a few more words he says that I wish to repeat. He is about through now and so this is the commencement of his last paragraph. "There may be, he says, 'some good ones among them, but their doctrine is corrupt.' To me this has the appearance of an attack on the doctrine of Jesus Christ, for I challenge this man to find a people that are following His sacred doctrine any closer than these people that he is warning against. We do not claim that we are all the saved people there are, nor all that will be saved, but we do claim that God is blessedly honoring us with His presence and blessings, which He surely would not do if we were as grossly wrong as Mr. Noble would have people believe. If our doctrine is corrupt then the Bible is corrupt, and he is unsafe in using the Bible as a weapon against us. We are willing any time to be examined on the doctrine before the Great Tribunal that gives righteous judgment.

At almost the close he says, "They come dressed in a sheepskin, but they have the odor of a goat. Let us warn our people. They are going around trying to get joiners." Now, beloved, we have no animosity against the people Mr. Noble represents. We have some dear friends among them. We have preached on the same platform with them. We have prayed together, sang together and worshipped the Lord together. I see no occasion for such a breach as is indicated by the article by Mr. Noble. I cannot believe that it is approved by the majority of his own people. I cannot believe that the wor-

thy editor has the sanction of all his readers for publishing the article in his paper. I trust this little episode will be the means of advancing the common cause we all love so well. I wish these brethren well. I have often said that I believed the Pentecostal Holiness Church was the nearest to us in doctrine and fellowship of any of the other bands or bodies of pentecostal people. I trust there will still remain a friendly relation even if they do not approve of all our ways.

Finally, God bless them all. I believe I can say truthfully that I have felt a love kindling in my breast for brother Noble, and increasing in fervency as I have written these lines. Amen.

Ridgedale, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:—
Greetings in Jesus' dear name.

I am praising God for saving me from sin, sanctifying me and giving me the Holy Ghost over two years ago. Glory to His dear name!

I praise God because I ever found this way. I am so glad I heard the still sweet voice of Jesus saying "except ye repent, ye shall all like wise perish." I praise God for the dear old Church of God spoken of in 1 Cor. 1:2. Jesus is all in all to me. It does my soul good to tell about Jesus and how He spilled His blood on the cross that we might be sanctified. Let us get closer to God and pray more.

I am the only one of my people that have the blessing but God has promised to bring them in if we pray more and live the life.

Pray for me I am weak.
Your unworthy brother in Christ,

Lee Mc Gill.

2808, E. 17th St.

Straight Creek, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I thank God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I am praising the Lord for the dear old Church of God. I praise Him for His healing power. He heals us when we get sick. We don't need any doctor.

Pray for us.

Mrs. Nancy Canupp.

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Ridgedale, Tenn.

Greeting to All the Dear Saints:

I have just closed a fifteen nights' meeting at Rising Fawn, Ga. It was a hard place because of false teaching, and some who had not lived the life that claimed the experience but God showed His wonderful power.

When we arrived there, they had a copperhead snake caught ready to try our faith but I asked them to hold off until Saturday night so they did. The old snake had been caught a good while and was wounded so I prayed if it was God's will to have the snake handled to send the right one, so no one could dispute it.

So on Saturday evening a well known man, Mr. Joe Jenkins, a Campbellite, was coming to town and found a rattle snake and he said that we would handle a pet snake of our own but we would not handle one of these so he waited an hour and a half until some one came to help him catch it, and it didn't move. He said that God had it to wait. Some one came and they caught and put it in a box and he showed it to all along the road and in the town.

About eight o'clock they came bringing in two snakes, the old copperhead and the rattler. A number of saints from Ridgedale was there and brother Johnny Cagle was helping me in the meeting. The power fell as they were bringing the snakes in. Glory to God, He is the God of all Gods! Every thing is subject to Him. I had to

get brother Ed. Cavitt to keep the saints out of the box until I could read God's Word. I told the people it was God and not us. A doctor was there with his medicine to assist in case any one got bitten. It was an awfully hot night. When all was ready I told the people we would handle the rattler that he was fresh and in good condition and that he had the bell on and no one could dispute him. I set the box on the stand and was trying to get the lid off when the power struck brother Cagle and the lid flew off and out came the rattle snake, singing and biting. He bit brother Cagle once and he gave him to me and he bit me four times and brought blood each time, and hung his two fangs in my arm so deep he could not get them out and hung there until brother Ed Cavitt pulled him loose. The blood ran down on my cuff but no harm was done. It did not make me a bit sick. I wiped my hand with my handkerchief and then wiped my face and mouth not realizing what I was doing and got poison in my mouth and swallowed it. It sure tasted bad but I felt no hurt. My hand swelled just enough to let the people see that the poison was there. Glory to God, it gave me more faith. The doctor examined my hand and said each one of the bites I received was enough to kill a man as hot as the weather was, if there was not some higher power. All the saints present handled it but three or four. My two babies, one eight years old handled it. They have the Holy Ghost, too, praise God.

Both men and women fell into the altar crying out, "What shall I do to be saved?" We told them to repent, get sanctified and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

There were seventeen that received the blessed Holy Ghost and several saved and sanctified. The people were sorry to see us leave.

Yours truly,
 J. L. Scott.

Notice.

Revival meeting at Gatewood, near Coffeeville, Miss., will begin September 2nd and continue ten days or more as the Spirit leads. T. S. Payne and E. Haynes and wife in charge.

The new tabernacle is being erected now and will be ready for the meeting.

M. S. Haynes, Overseer.

Harriman, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: Greeting in Jesus' name. Brother Taylor and I have just returned from Crab Orchard, Tenn., where we had a wonderful meeting. The Lord manifested His presence in a wonderful way in helping us to give out the word of God and with signs following. Eight received the blessed Holy Ghost, three saved three sanctified and eight followed the Lord in water baptism last Sunday and in the evening we partook of the Lord's supper and had feet washing. The saints shouted, danced and talked in tongues. The meeting closed Wednesday night. We left many hungry souls.

We are intending to start to Shaw, Ga., the 14th, I earnestly request the prayers of the saints that God will keep me in the center of His will.

Yours all on the altar,
 Ed Goddard.

Salt Pond, Long Island, Bahamas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints—Greeting in Jesus' Name:

I am so glad that I have the privilege to join the band that praise the Lord. I have been reading one of the Evangelists and it fills my soul with glory as I hear how God is really blessing His dear children all over the world.

Just two years ago the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues and praise God, He still abides.

I ask the prayers of the saints.

Your sister in Christ,
 Nellie Harden.

Turtletown, Tenn.

A. J. Tomlinson and All the Saints Everywhere—Peace be Unto Thee:

We have just closed a three weeks' meeting here. We are glad to report 23 sanctified, and 13 filled with the Holy Ghost, for we heard them speak with tongues. Eight were baptized with water, and the Church of God set in order with ten members.

Several others will come in later.

We go from here to Hayesville, N. C., to hold the annual camp meeting and earnestly covet the prayers of all the saints.

Yours in the battle for lost souls,

S. C. Elrod and Wife.
 B. L. Sheppard and Wife.

Cedar Grove, W. Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the saints everywhere: I am only twelve years old but I have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and am a member of the Church of God, my mother also is a member.

Oh, we just praise the dear Lord because He sent brother W. M. Rumlér here that we might learn the true way, the way we can live without sin.

Pray for me that I may stay low and humble at Jesus feet.

All for Jesus,
 Ethel Hudnall

Ivanhoe, Va.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

I sure love the Evangel and I enjoy reading the testimonies of the dear ones so much. I am glad I have lived to see the great power of God in its fullness and to be a member of the Church of God.

Four years ago last spring I was sanctified and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and I have been living close to God ever since.

Your sister in Christ,
 Martha Hill.

Request for Prayer.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am alarmed about my son, he is in an awful condition. He has been drinking for over a month and has the 'tremens. He will surely die if the drink demon is not cast out. The poor boy wants to be a christian, but the devil will not give him up. I know the Lord will hear the saints' prayers. Please pray for my boy.

Your sister in Jesus, a heart broken mother,
 Mrs. M. J. Wilson.

Largo, Fla.

Wanted—Brothers W. R. Haddock and J. C. Padgett to come to Largo, Fla., and conduct a meeting, beginning August 31.

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Taianfu, Shantung, China.
To the Church of God of Valdosta and all the Saints Scattered Abroad:—Greetings in Jesus' precious name.

Praise God, He knoweth them that trust in Him. Hallelujah!

We can truly testify this morning, that of all His good promises, none of them have failed. There hath been trials but He hath given grace and glory all along the way. When I am reminded of the sufferings of our Savior and then of the Apostles', I feel as if I have never yet endured real suffering for His sake and glory. So I cannot say we have endured hardships.

The tears come in my eyes as I write, and the desire to follow Jesus all the way and be true to the truth swells within me. Oh beloved, I am so glad I ever found Him and I praise Him that He used some of you dear ones there to lead me on into this way. I praise Him for all the efforts which you put forth in my behalf, also for the encouragement you gave me and continue to give. I want to go on with Jesus. Truly there is no stand still. I want His whole will wrought out in my heart and life.

Have just, this morning, received the June 3rd issue of the Evangel and truly my soul was stirred as I read the editorial by brother Tomlinson on "Ministers like Paul."

I am no preacher at all, I suppose, but I know I have been called of God to witness for Him to the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ and that means to carry a whole gospel to the whole world.

There are no foreign countries with God. He loves all the same. The call to me was to carry the gospel to every creature and that I was to begin where I was (in America) and that He would later lead out to other places.

It has seemed that we have a mission to missionaries and I have often felt as if I would like to visit mission centers and have meetings with the foreigners and in that way native preachers would be reached and thereby the fire would quickly spread. There would not likely be many open doors, but by God's help we could push a door open.

I would be so happy if you dear ones could meet some of these precious ones here who have been redeemed through the blood of our Savior. Many of them seem to realize, too, the importance of going on and if they feel or see where they have done

wrong, God gives grace and they often confess and the blood covers them Hallelujah!

Oh, God has put such a love in my heart for the Chinese I would love to spend and be spent for their salvation. I do want to be a missionary of the Pauline type. So please all of you pray for me on this line especially.

February, March and a part of April were days of great physical trial and several times the enemy made me very despondent and I would feel as if I could not live much longer, but praise God, victory came and it all proved a great blessing to me in the end. Hallelujah! Oh, I would love to tell you all how it came but time and space forbid.

My sister wants to send us money to come home on because she thinks it is too hard on us here, but I could not go home for that reason, so when you hear of us returning to America it will be to stir up interest in the Church of God to open up work in foreign lands and set churches in order, etc., as at home and to later return with reinforcements. I feel the need of it so much. Truly the harvest is plenteous but the laborers are few.

We praise God for the liberal offering of \$15.00 which we received from you all was sent us by brother Lee. It was well that you communicated with us at that time as it met a great need and we were financially pressed. I thank you every one through this letter for the part you had in it and may our heavenly Father reward you and add unto you spiritually. If our Lord tarries I trust we shall all meet again here on earth, if not that we will meet at the marriage supper with Jesus. Hallelujah!

I want to tell you something of a recent meeting. I was not present much during this meeting, but reports of blessed victory came to us. One woman who was demon possessed, came to the meeting and three devils were cast out of her, we are told. They all talked before coming out and one asked to be allowed to remain until the next day, but of course he was refused and cast out that night in Jesus' name. Hallelujah, at His name the devils flee and fly! He is the same Jesus as when upon earth.

The bitter cold weather will soon be here so I am already getting a few things together to help over a few who will be roaming

around begging and suffering. Our mission is to give out the word of life. Yet we feel we cannot refuse temporal help, too, when we have it to give.

I understand the Chinese government expects to open homes for homeless children where they will be cared for and taught to work and be educated. Every district in each province will have their own and it will be supported by that district and the wealthier class of people will be taxed to keep it up. This is my understanding of it. I praise God for this step. The Chinese are ahead of our country in this. I don't know if it is all over China this way or not. It may be that they will be required to worship the government religion and if so that will be terrible of course and much better for them to go adrift as now and God's people continue to try to rescue a few.

The official family of ladies came to see us some weeks ago and seemed to be much interested in the gospel. They were lonely ladies and one could hardly associate them with the common class of people we come in contact with daily. They appeared quite refined, educated and cultivated. They were given New Testaments and we hope to visit them soon and find them seeking after God. Of course it would mean much and many open doors if they open up to the truth and seek God. So please pray for them.

The evangelists have gone on with God I believe and it is just wonderful what God has done for their wives. Before the Spirit was poured out here the poor women knew very little of spiritual things. The men were ahead of them as they could read and understand and had a head knowledge of salvation as many people at home, but the poor women could not read and seemed very dull. But praise God, it seemed to please Him to mightily operate on some of these dear women and give them real experiences and make them over anew as it were, and now they seem ahead of the men. Four of them seem to have a most blessed baptism of the Holy Ghost. There may be others. I think perhaps there are, but I want to be sure before I say so. I know there are others who have very precious experiences. I would have to investigate more fully before I could say definitely how many in all have received the baptism.

Sowing the Seeds of Holiness

REPORT

We have just closed a meeting near Jesup and Redland Ga., where we held a meeting nine months ago. When we came here first there was only one that had the Holy Ghost. At that time eighteen received Him, and the church was set in order with eighteen members. Now there are seventy-five members. Don't get weary in sowing holiness seed for I am sure they will come up in due time. Praise His name forever.

Well, our baby boy got sick and we were praying and trusting God to heal him. For some reason his recovery was delayed, so as everything was so inconvenient we fastened up our house and went to stay with a brother at his home till God gave health and strength to our boy so we could start out again. The second night after we left home, the house was set on fire and burned every thing we had, tent and all of our good clothing, and we are left in this world without anything. But thank God we are determined to hold on to God's unchanging hand for Jesus says, "Let not your heart be troubled, you believe in God, believe also in me. In my father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you." So praise God, I have a mansion that the devil can't

I don't know yet how many and who went through in this last meeting. I must now close. I much prefer seeing you friends face to face as writing is far from satisfactory. "Though sundered far by faith, we meet around one common mercy seat." Praise God.

I shall be glad to hear from any of you who may care to write. I don't feel I have time for any more writing than is absolutely necessary, so please, all of you, take this as a letter to yourself, and pray for us much that we may always obey the Spirit's leadings and be used to glorify Jesus here in this dark land.

Much love in Jesus.

Yours in Him,

Mrs. P. R. Rushin.

All-Day Meeting.

At Trew's Chapel, on Harrison Pike, six miles west of Cleveland, Tenn.

September 10, 1916—Second Sunday in September. Jesse Clark in Charge.

reach to destroy. Well, praise God, in spite of all the devil's power our God heals and the boy is able to go to the table to eat again. Thank God! We were arranging to get back in the work when the tent and everything was burned.

When you saints of God and our friends read this, if God touches your hearts and you want to assist us in getting clothes and other things to get out on the battle field for God again we will receive it with many thanks and I am sure God will bless you all.

In regard to the meetings we had promised to hold, if the dear saints can make arbors or any arrangements for us to come we will come just as soon as we get clothes to wear, and we are sure God will provide some way. None of these things move us or stop us.

Mail will reach us addressed to Jesup Ga. in care of J. R. Upchurch.

Pray for us to stay in the center of God's will.

W. R. Anderon,
Wife and Boys.

Wanted—The address and whereabouts of Edith Thompson, J. A. Rawerson, Mr. D. P. Perry, Mrs. D. P. Perry and I. W. Ward. Any information that will assist in locating these parties will be thankfully received.

Zeno C. Tharp,
Wimauna, Fla.

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Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise the Lord for victory. We have just returned from Calcard, W. Va. where we go once a month. One received the Holy Ghost Saturday night, and two were healed. People are believing the great Church of God. Pray for us that we may be real soul winners for God.

Your sister in Christ,
M. E. Middlebrook.

Empire, Ala.

Dear Evangel Readers:

I want to praise God for what He has done for me. Tongue could never express how I do appreciate His wonderful blessings. I do praise Him for letting me live to see His mighty power demonstrated among His saints, and by the help of God I mean to press on to higher heights and deeper depths of Christ's love. I am so glad that I'm washed in the blood of the Lamb and have made my calling and election sure with God. I feel like going on. My whole heart's desire is to be just what God would have me be and be a soul winner for Him.

I feel that perilous times are now entering upon us and we as the children of God must get into a oneness and stay more humble at the cross. Many are forgetting God and drifting off farther and farther until at last they will cry for the rocks and mountains to fall on them and hide them from the One who sitteth on the throne. God help us to stand true and be faithful to the end.

I have a dear sweet mother who left this world December 27, 1915. I feel assured that she awaits me above. She was as true as a mother could be. I can hear her prayers as I reflect over the past as she would say "God help my four little ones to go in the strait and narrow way, where no ravenous beast shall be therein. Thank God, I feel like mother's prayers are being answered, I want to be more like Jesus every day.

Sometimes I am made to believe that I will be here watching and waiting for Him when He comes riding down on the clouds of glory.

Please pray for the church here that we may ever move forward to the mark of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus.

Pray for husband and me that we may be more consecrated to God. We all need to pray more with and for one another and all press along to glory land.

Your sister in the race for Christ Jesus,

Bertha Creel.

Bell Mill, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am seeking the Holy Ghost and I have pellegra and I want all that read this to pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost and be healed.

I am not a member of the dear old Church of God but I expect to be when Christ cleanses me from all sin I have given up my snuff and

don't expect to ever use it again. I think all that go into the Church of God ought to quit snuff and tobacco and try to live up to the rules of the church for the world is watching all the members.

I hope some good preacher will come here and wake us up. Some are becoming so careless and unconcerned.

Please pray that God may give me the Holy Ghost and heal my body.

Mrs. Olevia Johnson.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

I want to tell you what God has done for me. I am thanking God for having saved my life and soul from death by committing suicide in 1905. I am so happy with Jesus but I am hungry after more of God so I want you all to pray that I may be sanctified wholly and receive the Holy Ghost. It is so wonderful to know that the blood of Christ can cleanse us from all sin and save the vilest sinners and heal all disease. Praise God.

I wish I could speak so I could sing praises with my lips but I must be patient and do His will. Pray to God that I may receive a perfect eye sight and hear if the Lord is willing. All things are possible with God. I love to be a true worshiper of God. I want to follow Him.

Pray for us all.

Myrtle Fowler.

Chattanooga, Tenn.

Brother Tomlinson and All the Evangel Family:

I am praising God for victory in my soul. I am hardly able to set up this morning still I am able to say "Glory to God in the highest."

We attended a camp meeting at Bankhead church held by brother Gentry and workers about July in which the Lord surly blessed. Five were filled with the Holy Ghost, thirteen added to the church and nineteen followed in water baptism.

At the close of this meeting I commenced a meeting about six or eight miles from there where I got to bear some suffering for Jesus. I was caught by a howling mob of out laws. After meeting one night one of the fellows pretending to want to ask a question concerning his soul's welfare (the crowd had already been gotten together) hit me a blow with a pair of brass knucks. It broke my jaw bone and shivered it from the middle of my chin to the lock of my jaw.

I am trusting the Lord to heal it. Pray for me.

Your servant,

T. R. Austin.

10 Pearl St.

REPORT

Mr. A. J. Tomlinson and dear Saints Scattered Abroad:—Greetings in Jesus' dear name.

We are praising God for victory in our souls just now. Hallelujah!

The Lord is still in old West Virginia. We closed a meeting at Riverside with victory. Several were saved and two were filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. This was a new place but God helped us to give out His Word and the people are being won. Some are saying goodbye to their churches, we want the Holy Ghost. Glory to God for victory.

From here we went to Eskdale where we met some of God's children and also awful opposition but God gave us the victory. We began to throw a few bomb shells of the gospel in that place and God began to save, sanctify and fill with the precious Holy Ghost and the sick were healed. We closed the meeting Sunday night with victory in our souls. Many were the shouts to be heard and talking in tongues as we shook hands and said goodbye.

We left the altar full of seekers. May God bless these places.

Your brother and sister,
W. M. Rumler,
and Wife.

Cascilla, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Readers:—Greetings in Jesus' name.

Our meeting at Shady Grove closed Tuesday night with great success. Nine received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, with evidence of speaking in other tongues. Several were saved and sanctified. The sick were healed and demons cast out. Praise God forever.

Our pastor brother M. S. Haynes, and family conducted the services. Sister Haynes and daughters doing the singing and brother Haynes the preaching. He certainly gave out the Word with great boldness and power. We praise God for such a man as brother Haynes for a pastor.

We saw brother Haynes stand by a young man that was struggling to get through to God and fight the very demons away while he came to God. The young man's sister was doing every thing in her power to drag him from the altar but brother Haynes stood between them and kept her back while the young man prayed through to victory and spoke in other

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tongues. Glory to His name.

I want the Church of God to pray for us here at Shady Grove that we may all walk in the light as it is given and do God's will and be loyal to Him and His church.

Praise God forever.

Your brother in Christ,
H. S. Harris.

Brantford, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:—Greetings in Jesus' precious name.

I praise God for a full and free salvation. He saved me from my sins and when I met the conditions He applied the blood and cleansed me from all uncleanness, and then the "house-keeper" which is the Holy Ghost that our Savior prayed the Father to send, come in.

I thank God for smiling on His children here last night. We got hold of God and kept hanging on until fire came from heaven and every child of God present was wonderfully blessed. Many signs were given through the manifestation of God's power. Pray for the Brantford band while we fight for Jesus.

Yours in Christ,

A. G. Cox.

Gastonia, N. C.

On August 8, 1816, the dear Lord saw fit to visit the home of Bro. Arthur and sister Hattie Brooks and took from their midst their darling baby Inez. She came into this world without the aid of a physician and was trusted in the hands of our blessed Savior to the end, although they were persecuted and threatened with the law they stood true.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer. The dear ones sorrow but not as those that have no hope. Sister Brooks shouted and praised God because of the hope that she will see her darling again.

Your brother in Christ,
F. E. Patterson.

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